

## Pratice Problems for Midterm II

**Note:** No books, notes, cheat sheets, calculator or any electronic devices are allowed during Midterm II exam.

### Tips:

- You are required memorize(not limited to):

Cauchy-Riemann equations in  $xy$ -coordinates, and the formula  $f' = u_x + iv_x$ ;

Definition of harmonic functions, Laplace equation, harmonic conjugate;

Definition of exponential functions, logarithmic functions, power functions, sine and cosine functions

- You don't need to memorize the Cauchy-Riemann equations in polar form. If it will be needed in the exam, we will provide it.

1. Write  $z = x + iy$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $f(z) = x^2 + iy^2$ . Find all points where  $f$  is complex differentiable and find the value of  $f'$  at these points. Then find where  $f$  is analytic. Show your work.

2. Let  $u(x, y) = 2xy - x$ .

(a) Prove  $u$  is harmonic on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(b) Find all harmonic conjugates  $v$  of  $u$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(c) Let  $v$  be your answer in (b). Find  $f(z)$  such that  $f = u + iv$ . Express the function  $f$  in terms of  $z$ . Show your work.

3. State the definitions of  $\text{Log}z$  and  $\log z$ . Then find  $\log e$  and  $\text{Log}(-ei)$ . Show your work.

4. Does  $\text{Log}(i^3)$  equal to  $3\text{Log}i$ ? Justify your answer.

5. Let  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ . State the definitions of  $z^c$  and  $\text{P.V.}z^c$ . Then find  $\frac{1}{i^{2i}}$ . Show your work.

6. State the definitions of  $\sin z$  and  $\cos z$ . Then use the definitions to prove  $\cos z = \sin(z + \frac{\pi}{2})$ .

Q1: Let  $f(z) = x^2 + iy^2$

check where  $f$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -diff<sup>ble</sup>.

compute  $f'(z)$  at such points.

find where  $f$  is analytic.

---

Step 1: find  $u, v$ . compute  $u_x, u_y, v_x, v_y$

Note:  $f = \underbrace{x^2}_u + i \underbrace{y^2}_v$

compute  $\begin{cases} u_x = 2x \\ u_y = 0 \end{cases}$  ;  $\begin{cases} v_x = 0 \\ v_y = 2y \end{cases}$

Step 2: check whether (at what points)  
the C.-R. eqns hold.

$$\text{C.R. - eqns. } \begin{cases} u_x = v_y & \textcircled{1} \\ u_y = -v_x & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$$

check :  $\textcircled{1}$  :  $z_x = z_y$  ?

$\Rightarrow$   $\textcircled{1}$  holds iff  $x=y$ .

$\textcircled{2}$  :  $0 = -0$  ?

$\Rightarrow$   $\textcircled{2}$  holds always

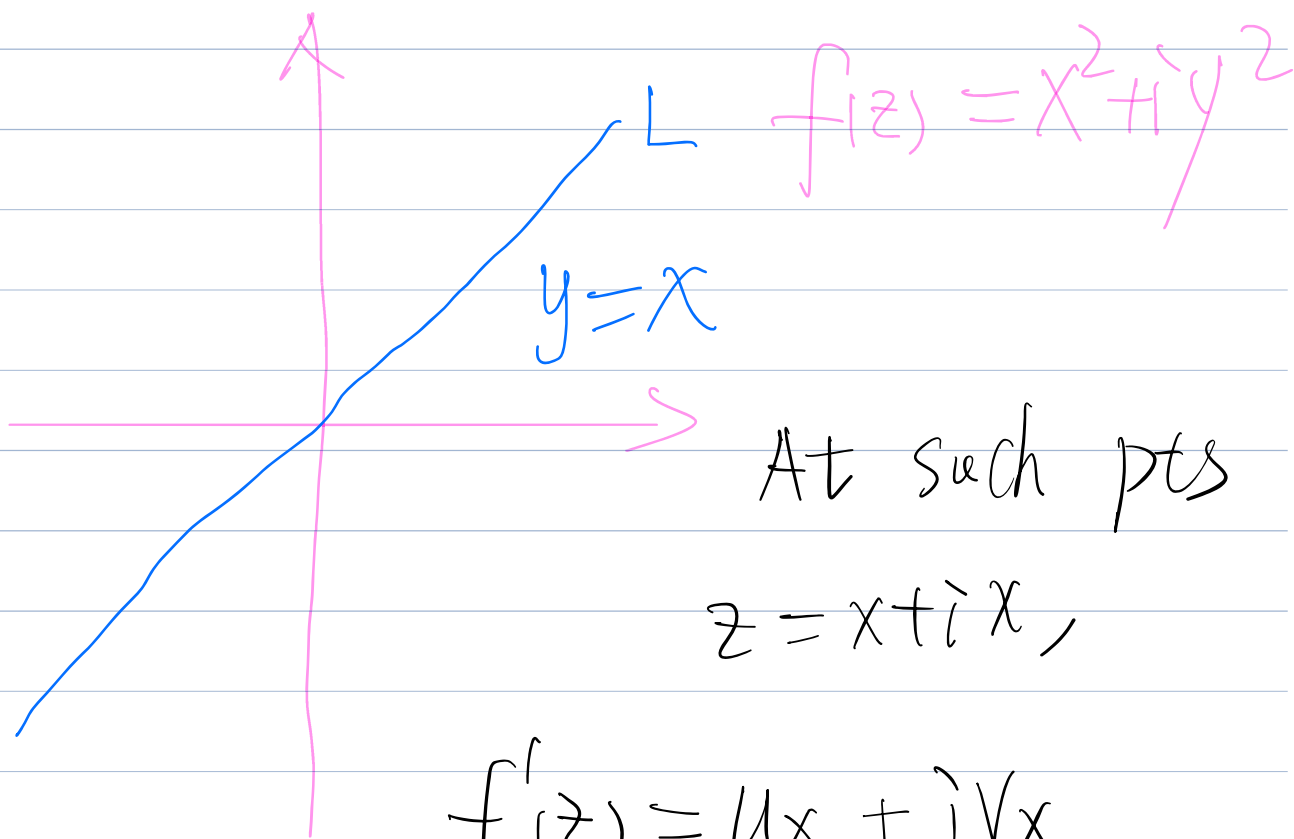
Hence, the two C:R. eqns

holds precisely at  $x=y$

As a result,  $f$  is

$\mathbb{C}$ -diff<sup>ble</sup> precisely

at  $z = x + iy$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$



$$f'(z) = u_x + i v_x$$

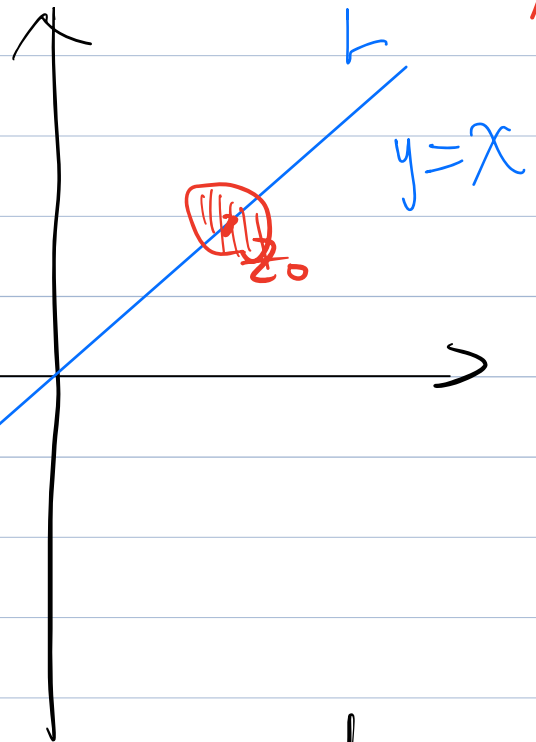
$$= z x + i \cdot 0 = z x$$

Step 3. find where  $f$  is analytic?

Recall  $f$  is analytic at  $z_0$   
 $\Leftrightarrow f$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -diffble in  
a nbhd of  $z_0$ :  $\{|z - z_0| < \varepsilon\}$



$z_0$



$z_0$

$y=x$

Since there  
is no disk  $D$   
such that  
 $f$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -diffble

in  $D$ ,  $\Rightarrow f$  is nowhere analytic.

\*\*\*

Q2: let  $u = zxy - x$

(a) prove  $u$  is harmonic in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

Pf: (Recall  $u$  is harmonic  
 $\Leftrightarrow u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ )

(a) compute  $u_x = 2y - 1$ ,  $u_{xx} = 0$

$$u_y = zx, \quad u_{yy} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

(b) Find all harmonic conjugates  $v$  of  $u$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

A:

Step 1: Find  $v_x, v_y$

(Recall  $v$  is a harmonic conjugate of  $u$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} u_x = v_y & \textcircled{1} \\ u_y = -v_x & \textcircled{2} \end{cases}$ )

By 2  $\Rightarrow$

$$v_x = -u_y = -2x \quad (3) \checkmark$$

By (1)  $\Rightarrow v_y = u_x = 2y - 1 \quad (4) \checkmark$

Step 2. Integrate (4) w.r.t  $y$

(regard  $x$  as a constant)

$$v = \int v_y \, dy$$

$$= \int (2y - 1) \, dy$$

$$= y^2 - y + \phi(x)$$

$\leftarrow$  constant

Step 3. Bring '  $v = y^2 - y + \phi(x)$  '

to (3):  $v_x = -2x$

$$\Rightarrow v_x = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (y^2 - y + \phi(x)) = -2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi'(x) = -2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi = \int -2x dx$$

$$= -x^2 + C \leftarrow \text{constant}$$

Hence

$$v = y^2 - y + \phi$$

$$= y^2 - y - x^2 + C,$$

$$C \in \mathbb{R}$$



(c) Find  $f(z)$  s.t.  $f(z) = u + iV$

Express  $f(z)$  in term of  $z$ .

$(v \text{ is a harmonic conjugate of } u)$   
 $(\Leftrightarrow f = u + iV \text{ is analytic.})$

$$f = u + iV$$

$$= 2xy - x + i(y^2 - y - x^2 + c)$$

$$= \underbrace{iC}_{\text{constant}} + \underbrace{-x - iy}_{\text{linear}} + \underbrace{2xy + iy^2 - ix^2}_{\text{quadratic}}$$

$$= iC + \underbrace{-(x + iy)} - iz^2$$

$$= iC - z - iz^2$$

$$\Rightarrow f = iC - z - iz^2$$

Hint:

$$z^2 = (x + iy)^2 \\ = x^2 + 2ixy - y^2$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$-iz^2 \\ = -ix^2 + 2xy \\ + iy^2$$

Q3: State the definition of  $\text{Log} z$ ,  $\text{log} z$

compute  $\text{log} e$ ,  $\text{Log}(-ei)$

$$A: \text{log} z = \ln |z| + i \arg z ; z \neq 0$$

$$\text{Log} z = \ln |z| + i \text{Arg} z$$

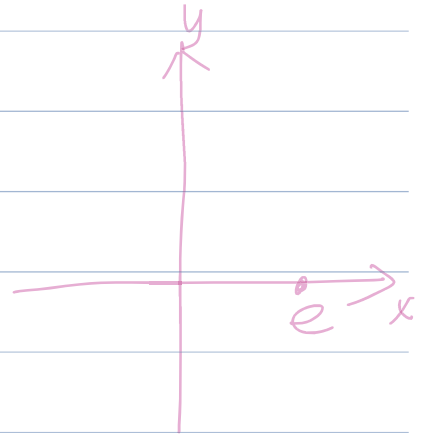
Compute  $\log e$ ,  $\text{Log}(-ei)$

$$\log e = \ln|e| + i \arg e$$

$$= \ln e + i \arg e$$

$$= 1 + i(0 + 2n\pi)$$

$$= 1 + i2n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$



Ex:  $\text{Log}(-ei) = 1 - \frac{\pi}{2}i$

---

Recall:  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

in Calculus,  $\ln x^k = k \ln x, x > 0$

$$k \geq 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

In complex analysis, can we expect <sup>the</sup> same?

Q4: Does  $\text{Log}(i^3) = 3 \text{Log} i$ ?

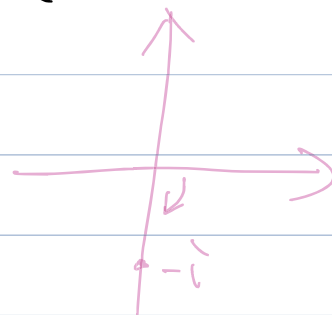
X

A: No! why?

$$\text{LHS} = \text{Log}(i^3) = \text{Log}(-i)$$

$$= \ln|-i| + i \text{Arg}(-i)$$

$$= \cancel{\ln 1} + i(-\frac{\pi}{2}) = -\frac{\pi}{2}i$$



$$\text{RHS} = 3 \text{Log} i$$

$$= 3 (\cancel{\ln 1} + i \cancel{\text{Arg} i})$$

$$= i \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

Hence,  $\text{LHS} \neq \text{RHS}$

Q5. State the definition of  $z^c$  and P.V.  $z^c$ .

find  $\frac{1}{i^{2i}}$ .

$$A: z^c = e^{c \log z}$$

$$\text{P.V. } z^c = e^{c \text{Log } z}$$

To compute  $\frac{1}{i^{2i}}$ , we first compute

$$\begin{aligned} i^{2i} &= e^{2i \log i} \\ &= e^{2i (\ln i) + i \arg i} \\ &= e^{2i (i \pi/2 + i 2n\pi)} \\ &= e^{-\pi - 4n\pi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{i^{2i}} = e^{\pi + 4n\pi}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Q6: State the definition of  $\sin z$ ,  $\cos z$ .

prove  $\cos z = \sin(z + \frac{\pi}{2})$

A: 
$$\sin z = \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}$$

$$\cos z = \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}$$

To prove " $\cos z = \sin(z + \frac{\pi}{2})$ ",

we note

Hint:

$$e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} = i$$
$$e^{-i\frac{\pi}{2}} = -i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= \sin(z + \frac{\pi}{2}) \\ &= \frac{e^{i(z + \frac{\pi}{2})} - e^{-i(z + \frac{\pi}{2})}}{2i} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{e^{iz} (i) - e^{-iz} (-i)}{2i}$$

$$= \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2} = \cos z = \text{LHS}$$

In the remaining time, we continue to discuss

some new material.

Recall in last lecture:

let  $w(t)$  be a complex-valued of  
a real variable:

$$w(t) : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

• Integral: write  $w(t) = u(t) + iV(t)$

$$\int_a^b w(t) dt \triangleq \int_a^b u(t) dt + i \int_a^b v(t) dt$$

• If  $F(t) = U(t) + iV(t)$ ,  $w(t) = u(t) + iV(t)$

we say  $F$  is an antiderivative of  $w$   
(denoted by  $F' = w$ )  $\Leftrightarrow$

$$U' = u, \quad V' = v$$

Consequence of F. T. C.

If  $F'(t) = w(t)$ ,

$$\int_a^b w(t) dt = F(b) - F(a)$$

Useful formulas:

$$\bullet \left| \int_a^b w(t) dt \right| \leq \int_a^b |w(t)| dt$$

$$\bullet \int_a^b w(t) dt = \int_a^c w(t) dt + \int_c^b w(t) dt$$

$$\bullet \int_a^b w(t) dt = - \int_b^a w(t) dt$$

$a \rightarrow b$

$b \rightarrow a$



$$\int_a^b w(t) dt \quad w: [a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

we will finally define the integral of  
a complex function  $f(z)$ , ( $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ). we will define  
the integral of  $f(z)$  over a contour (also called a curve)

Q: What is a contour (curve) ?

## ② Contour (Curves)

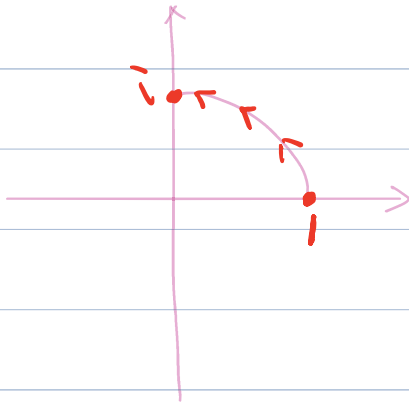
Def<sup>n</sup>: Let  $x(t)$ ,  $y(t)$  be continuous real functions on  $[a, b]$ ,

Then  $z(t) \triangleq x(t) + iy(t)$  is called an arc or a curve.

E.g: ①  $z(t) = \cos t + i \sin t, t \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

$e^{it}, \text{Arg}(z(t)) = t \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

$\Rightarrow |e^{it}| = 1$

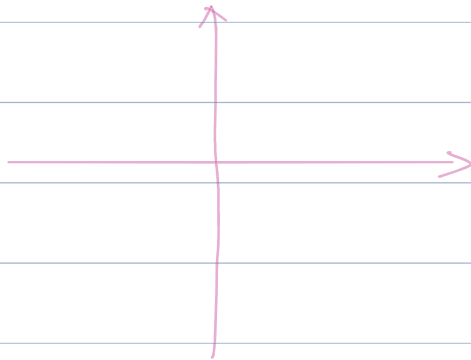


When  $t=0, z(t) = e^{i0} = 1$

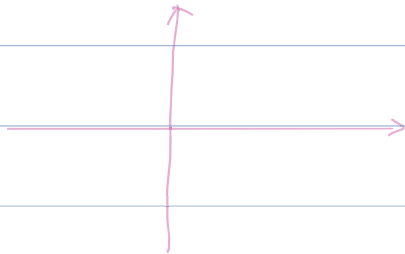


When  $t = \frac{\pi}{2}, z(t) = e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} = i$

②  $z(t) =$

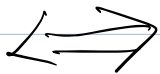


③  $z(t) = t \quad t \in [1, 1]$ .

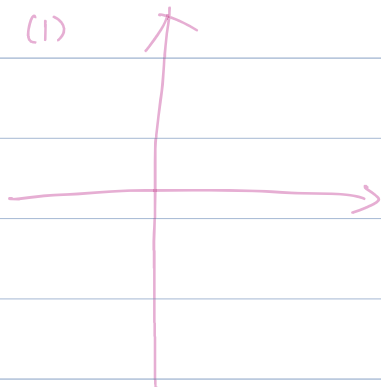


---

Def<sup>n</sup>: An arc/curve  $z(t)$  is called  
a simple arc/curve



E.g.:



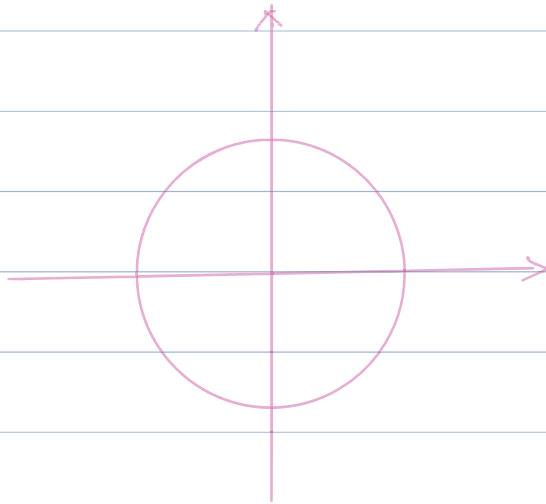
(2)



Def<sup>n</sup>:  $Z(t)$  is a "simple closed" curve  
or "Jordan Curve"  $\iff$



E.g.  $Z(t) =$



Def<sup>n</sup>:  $z(t)$  is called a smooth arc (or a  
smooth curve)  $\Leftrightarrow$